



# STABLE SKILLS SHORT COURSE (STATEMENT OF ATTAINMENT)

RTO CODE 45565



NATIONALLY RECOGNISED  
TRAINING

*Racing NSW Training Provider*



## INTRODUCTION

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is a Registered Training Organisation (RTO number 45565) registered with the Australian Skills Quality Authority. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is proud to offer the Stable Skills Short Course, delivered over a period of up to six months in the workplace.

The program involves workplace-based training and assessment and provides learners with skills and knowledge required in the handling and the care and training of thoroughbred horses, and to improve their employment opportunities.

This Stable Skills Short Course reflects the role of new entrants to the racing industry. It provides an introduction to the racing industry and allows for specialisation in sectors or roles, including stablehand (thoroughbred).

## WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR TRAINING?

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is responsible under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 for the quality of the training and assessment being delivered in this course and for the issuance of all AQF certificates.

## UNITS OF COMPETENCY

The Stable Skills Short Course comprises of 3 units of competency.

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy have organised these units of competency into relevant clusters relating to shared skills and knowledge or shared work tasks. This results in an efficient delivery of training and assessment and a structure that is very logical for learners.

To be issued the Stable Skills Short Course Statement of Attainment, a learner must be assessed as competent in 3 units of competency.

The selection of these units of competency and the course structure has been confirmed through industry engagement undertaken by Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy.

The Stable Skills Short Course is delivered inclusive of the following units:

SEQUENCE	MODULE/CLUSTER	UNITS
1	<b>Handling and Care for Horses</b>	RGRPSH201 Handle racehorses in stables and at trackwork
2	<b>The Racing Industry</b>	RGRCMN203 Comply with racing industry ethics and integrity
3	<b>Stable and Track</b>	RGRPSH207 Perform racing stable duties

## NATIONAL RECOGNITION

These competencies have been drawn from the nationally endorsed industry training package the Racing and Breeding Training Package (RGR). On successfully completing the training and assessment, the Stable Skills Short Course Statement of Attainment will be issued.

A transcript listing all units of competency will also be issued. The units of competency are nationally recognised and provide individuals with a valuable Statement of Attainment that can be applied throughout Australia and the wider racing industry. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy will issue a qualification within 30 days of the final assessment being completed.

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

The program is designed to be delivered over a period of up to six months in a blended delivery including, on-the-job training, self-paced learning, and workplace training. Written learning activities will reinforce theoretical knowledge, and skills will be practiced in the workplace where learning will be placed into context. Visits by Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy trainers to the learner's workplace will be undertaken on three (3) separate occasions over the duration of the 6-month program. The primary purpose of workplace visits is to deliver workplace training and undertake workplace assessment. The course modules are sequenced in a way that allows a logical progression and the achievement of prerequisite units of competency. Participants will be provided with professionally presented reference material to assist them to develop their knowledge of the subject.

## LOCATIONS

The training is delivered in the workplace with a licensed Racing Industry Employer.

## EXPECTED DURATION

The program is designed to be delivered over a period of up to six months. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is able to support participants that need additional time. Alternatively, participants who have pre-existing skills and knowledge may be able to complete the course in a shorter duration.

## ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS

The assessment is conducted using a combination of realistic workplace tasks, projects, knowledge tests, response to case studies and feedback from supervisors. The following provides a brief explanation of the assessment methods that are to be applied:

- **Observation assessment.** The learner is required to demonstrate a range of skills whilst being observed by, or interacting with, the assessor. These activities will be clearly explained and always relate to duties relevant to the workplace. These activities allow the assessor to observe the learner apply their knowledge and skills during practical activity.
- **Written assessment.** The learner is required to complete written response knowledge assessment in relation to each unit of competency. These activities are explained within issued workbooks and will require the learner to undertake basic research in the workplace.
- **Supervisor feedback.** Workplace supervisors will be asked to provide feedback about the learner's performance during a module. The supervisor will receive a briefing at the time the learner begins studying each module to inform them of the module requirements. The assessor will engage directly with the supervisor to seek feedback on the learner's performance.

## ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, WORKPLACE TRAINING AND SELF-PACED LEARNING

Students in the Stable Skills Short Course are required to participate in on-the-job training within a licensed Racing Industry Employer. Noting this, the Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy program is delivered over a period of up to six months. In addition to this the trainer will also visit the learner in the workplace and will deliver one-on-one training at intervals throughout the course duration.

Learners are also required to engage in self-paced learning which involve allocated self-paced learning activities within their workbook. It is expected that the learner will need to allocate a minimum of three hours per week over the course duration to complete the self-paced learning.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy requires persons who undertake this short course to:

- Be working and are currently employed as a stablehand in a thoroughbred racing stable, and, who are not Australian citizens
- Who are working in Australia not on a Student Visa
- Attend and participate in scheduled training and assessment, both on and off-the-job



- Participate in workplace tasks to employer expectations
- Be able to work in a thoroughbred racing industry environment and handle industry standard equipment
- Have suitable language, literacy and numeracy skills to read and comprehend learning materials and perform tasks related to routine work in their role.

**Please note:** Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy will engage with persons expressing interest in enrolment to discuss their language, literacy and numeracy skills. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy can provide additional learning support to learners who require basic assistance. For learners who have more fundamental support needs, Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy can refer these learners to a specialist language, literacy and numeracy development provider who can assist learners to improve their language, literacy and numeracy skills to enable them to suitably commence the course.

## HORSESAFE INDUSTRY INDUCTION

All persons requiring to be licensed in the NSW racing industry must complete the mandatory HorseSafe Industry Induction.

<https://www.racingsnsw.com.au/rules-policies-whs/horsesafe-induction/>





## RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

Applicants can apply for recognition of their existing skills and knowledge that are relevant to the units of competency within the program. These skills and knowledge may have been obtained through workplace training or experience and may reduce the number of units required to be completed during the program. Students are encouraged to notify Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy of their interest or intention to apply for RPL prior to their enrolment. We will provide you a pre-training review questionnaire that gathers information about your prior experience. This information is then used to determine the best pathway for you to achieve competency.



## STUDENT INFORMATION

Detailed learner information is available within our Student Handbook which is supplied with the enrolment package. This booklet contains important information about a learner's rights and obligations such as their right to privacy, a safe training environment and the right to complain or appeal an assessment decision. It is important that persons applying for enrolment have had an opportunity to review this information first. Please contact us and we can send this information to you straight away.



## DRESS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to wear personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate to the role and work area.



## COST

This course is available on a fee for service arrangement at \$300. This payment can be deducted from the learner's 1.5% stablehand bonus earnings. To check your earnings, log on to [www.myhorseracing.horse](http://www.myhorseracing.horse) or call the Racing NSW Stakes Payment team on 02 9551 7500. Eligibility requirements can be discussed with members of our Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy team, along with details of refund rights and obligations.

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